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9 STATEMENT OF:

10 TIM PETTY

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14 HOLIDAY INN

15 500 HOLIDAY PLAZA DRIVE

16 MATTESON, ILLINOIS
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HDR

1 MR. PETTY: My name is Tim Petty and
2 I'm the State Legislative Director for the
3 Brotherhood of Maintenance Away Employees
4 Division of the International Brotherhood of
5 Teamsters.

6 And I'm also a resident of Tinley
7 Park, Illinois. So the impact of this is
8 felt on me as well as many of our members.

9 It could mean a lot of jobs for our
10 members, especially if Metra develops a star
11 line from Joliet north. So we are strongly
12 in favor of it.

13 I know there's some concerns with
14 increased rail traffic in the towns feeling
15 like car traffic will be affected and I think
16 those fears could be put to rest because the
17 track has been in relatively good shape and
18 the trains should be running pretty fast
19 through there. So that's what I would say to
20 that.

21 And I would also say from an
22 environmental standpoint, a train can
23 transfer freight much more efficiently than a
24 truck and anything that can get trucks off

1 the road I think is a good thing.

2 And I just reiterate the thing about
3 the jobs. There's going to be some jobs
4 opening up here and that should help relieve
5 any anxiety from the towns, as well.

6 You know, I think there's going to be
7 economic opportunities here for a lot of
8 people. And that's it.

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